## OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

**TO:** GOVERNOR

FROM: RILEY

**SUBJECT:** DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR 9/10/02 MEETING WITH MARK MUSICK OF SREB

**DATE** 9/9/02 **CC:** FILE

Mark Musick just emailed me the attached list of items that he would like to discuss with you at our lunch meeting with him tomorrow (12:00 at the mansion). I have the following comments:

<u>Goals for Education: Challenge to Lead</u> – Mark wants us to identify the areas of special interest to you so that SREB staff can suggest actions related to those areas. I need to look over *Goals for Education* again tonight, but I'll have some ideas for you in the morning and I'm sure you have your own.

<u>Doctoral Scholars Program</u> – You definitely want to participate in some manner with the announcement of the National Science Foundation grant. Given your upcoming calendar, your participation might have to be via a press statement, but I'll coordinate this with Lee Ann and Mark's staff. I think Mark's idea of a story angle around Jennifer Riley, a Mississippian and the 100<sup>th</sup> Doctoral Scholars graduate, is a great way to go.

**SREB Technology Initiatives** – I think Mark's idea for a joint press conference via a video hookup is a great idea. This is a great angle that could fit in nicely with our technology push here.